

FISCAL UPDATE News Article

Fiscal Services Division
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STATE APPEAL BOARD MEETING

Meeting. The State Appeal Board met on March 7, 2016, in Des Moines. Due to scheduling conflicts, the Board did not meet in February 2016. The Board took the following action at the March meeting:

- Approved approximately \$239,000 in general claims filed under lowa Code chapter <u>25</u>, including one claim for salary and benefit back pay resulting from a wrongful termination. The Board denied two general claims totaling \$48,000.
- Approved five tort claims filed under lowa Code chapter 669 for approximately \$138,000. The Board denied tort claims totaling approximately \$27.8 million.

Settlements. The State Appeal Board approved a total of five settlements.

- \$1.1 million for a 2010 lawsuit against the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics (UIHC).
- \$25,000 for a 2006 lawsuit regarding a University of Iowa (UI) power plant work-related injury.
- \$10,000 for a 2013 lawsuit resulting from a car accident in Harris County, Texas, involving a state vehicle operated by a state employee.
- \$80,000 for a 2013 lawsuit involving the death of a patient at the lowa Veteran's Home.
- \$10,000 for an employment related lawsuit filed against the Department of Public Safety (DPS).

Judgment. The State Appeal Board approved a judgment of approximately \$271,000 regarding attorney fees and expenses resulting from a 2010 lowa Supreme Court case related to lowa's campaign finance laws.

Next Meeting. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for April 4, 2016, in Des Moines.

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